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BETHEL CHURCH, MISS., SATURDAY, OCT. 4, 1902.

The Lawrence County Association met this day with the Bethel Baptist Church, Lawrence county, Miss., in its second annual session.

A half hour was spent in devotional exercises, when the Moderator announced the Association in order for the transaction of business.

The order of business was read.

Brethren J. B. Dale and J. M. Polk were appointed reading clerks.

Brethren Z. T. Daughdrill, I. E. Fortenberry and J. Z. Walker were appointed as a committee on Finance to assist the Treasurer in receiving contributions from the churches.

The letters from the churches were read and the names of the delegates enrolled on the minutes.

The Association proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year.

On motion, the order of business was suspended as to that part of electing by ballot, and the present officers were re-elected by acclamation, as follows:

D. M. Lee, Moderator;

W. J. Armstrong, Clerk;

A. T. Longino, Treasurer.

The Moderator invited all visiting ministers present to seats in the body.

Messengers were appointed as follows:

To the Fair River Association—Brethren A. A. Russell and E. A. Hanlan.

To the Pearl River Association—Brethren W. J. Armstrong and Z. T. Daughdrill.

To the Copiah Association—Bro. W. E. Moore.

To the Pearl Leaf Association—Rev. J. P. Williams.

To the Boguechitto Association—Rev. J. M. Ritchie.

To the Baptist State Convention—Rev. J. P. Williams and Brethren A. T. Longino and W. M. Lambert.

On motion, Bro. D. M. Lee was elected as a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention and Rev. L. D. Posey alternate.

On motion, a committee was appointed to request the delegates from the churches to make pledges to defray the expenses of delegate to Southern Baptist Convention and report at this session, whereupon the following brethren were appointed: W. C. Maxwell, J. B. Dale and J. M. Fortenberry.

Brethren W. B. Yates, J. M. Armstrong and J. C. Burkett were appointed a committee on Nominations.

On Devotional Exercises—The deacons of Bethel church and Rev. J. M. Ritchie and Brethren W. M. Waller and W. C. Maxwell.

On motion, adjourned for one hour.

Benediction by Rev. W. B. Yates.

After refreshments, met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. W. B. Yates.

The Introductory sermon was preached by Rev. J. P. Williams. Theme: "A Baptist Association—Its Origin, Aim and Purpose."

Bro. W. R. Gibson, in a very appropriate address, presented to the Association a beautiful walnut gavel, to be kept by the Moderator and his successors in the Association.

The Moderator, in response and in behalf of the Association, accepted the gift.

On motion, 10:30 o'clock Monday morning was set as the time for reading and discussing the report on Missions.

The report on Publications was read by Bro. W. J. Armstrong, discussed and adopted.

The following brethren were appointed a committee on Apportionment, viz:

W. M. Lambert,
T. J. Newsom,
W. L. Dampeer,
J. M. Armstrong,
A. A. Russell,
D. Glover,
I. E. Fortenberry,
E. L. Givens.
W. E. Moore,
W. R. Gibson,
G. M. Buckley,
W. S. Boyanton,
J. D. Burkett,
J. A. Daniel,
A. S. Loftin,

The committee on Devotional Exercises made the following partial report: Sunday school mass meeting at ten o'clock Sunday morning to be conducted by Bro. Jeff Batton.

The report on Home Evangelism was read, discussed and adopted.

On motion, adjourned to meet Monday morning 9 o'clock. Benediction by Rev. E. A. Hanlan.

SUNDAY'S EXERCISES.

At the conclusion of the Sunday school mass meeting, conducted by Bro. T. J. Batton, the committee on Devotional Exercises submitted the following as their final report:

REPORT ON DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.

Your committee would submit the following: That Bro. J. P. Williams preach at 11 o'clock on Sunday morning in the church and Bro. E. A. Hanlan preach in the school house at the same hour; after intermission for one hour, Bro. W. B. Yates to conduct a Temperance meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
(COMMITTEE.)

The above order of exercises was carried out to large and attentive congregations, and after the eleven o'clock service a collection was taken up for the Orphans' Home amounting to $25.17.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

MONDAY, 9 O'CLOCK A. M., Oct. 6, 1902.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, and after spending half an hour in devotional exercises, prayer being offered by Rev. J. P. Williams and Brethren Z. T. Daughdrill and D. M. Lee, the Moderator announced the Association in order for the transaction of business.

Rev. R. Drummonds was received as a messenger from the Strong River Association.

On motion, the report on Sunday schools was adopted, it having been discussed on Sunday morning in the Sunday school mass meeting.

Bro. J. S. Byrne was received as a corresponding messenger from the Fair River Association.

On motion, the report on Temperance was adopted, it being discussed on Sunday afternoon, and the Lawrence County Press is hereby requested to publish the same.

On motion, it is hereby ordered that the sermon preached by Rev. J. P. Williams on Sunday be printed in the Baptist, he being requested to reproduce it.

Reports were read, discussed and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee on Sunday Schools would submit the following:

The Bible is the book, the source of life and strength; yet it is read with very little understanding. Christians need to study and understand it more; need to be better Christians; and the unsaved, old and young, need to be brought to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. The Sunday school is the best place we know of—excluding the home—to reach the children, and surely the best place to reach the unsaved; therefore, we urge that each church within the bounds of this Association establish and maintain at least one Sunday school. If you need help in working up and organizing a Sunday school, write to Bro. S. P. Leavell, who was selected by the last State Convention as Sunday school evangelist, and secure his help at the earliest possible date. A dead Superintendent spiritually will chill and kill any

Sunday school; therefore, we urge that each church select enthusiastic Christian men to superintend the Sunday school. Be sure he has some personal magnetism and is thoroughly interested in the work, and then your Sunday school will not drag. The success of the Sunday school depends in a large measure on the quality of your teachers; therefore, be as careful in the selection of your teachers as in that of the superintendent. There are many Sunday schools weak and dragging for lack of interest shown by the pastor in the organization; therefore, we urge that every pastor use some of his very best efforts in promoting the welfare of the schools of his churches. If any pastor does not encourage the Sunday school work, and thereby aid his flock in pressing forward, he is unfaithful in the discharge of his duties to his God and unworthy to be pastor. We would not forget to urge that every church in maintaining schools use the literature published by the Southern Baptist Convention Board at Nashville, Tenn. Let every teacher by all means use "The Teacher." It is only twelve cents a quarter, while the quarterlies are only two cents apiece.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. Batton, Chairman.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The word temperance, as accepted among us at present, has reference to the use of alcoholic liquors for beverage purposes. It is no longer necessary to argue the question as to whether or not it is wrong to use intoxicating drinks. It has been satisfactorily proven to all men of reasonable minds that it is wrong in every sense except strictly as a medicine. Our best and most successful business men and business corporations have condemned it, because it disqualifies men for positions of responsibility. It has become the great test question put to young men seeking employment under Federal appointment, the majority of our railroad corporations and a large proportion of mercantile and banking concerns.

Our courts have declared it to be the great breeder of crime of every conceivable kind, thereby burdening our people with unnecessary taxes to keep up our courts.

It is known to be the enemy of good society, having wrecked

more hearts and homes and blasted more lives than any other one thing in the world.

Physiologists tell us that it is detrimental to every organ of the human system, and, not content with the present generation, it lays its blighting hand upon generations yet unborn, and that at the present rate of increase it is only a question of time when we will have a world of drunkards.

It is diametrically opposed to Christianity, because no drunkard shall inherit the Kingdom of God.

With these lights before us, the purpose of a *report on Temperance* should be to devise means, or encourage the use of those already accessible, whereby the use of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes may be exterminated. I do not hesitate to affirm that our only hope is at the ballot box. Many of our church members who drink whisky themselves tell us to preach the Gospel. They say the Gospel is what the world needs. I grant that; but they are themselves a refutation of their argument. If those who have already professed faith in Christ have not enough love for Him to abstain from drinking intoxicants, how do they expect the Gospel to reach and relieve those who are avowed enemies of Christ and are bound by the iron fetters of the drink habit? It is argued that we cannot legislate men and women into Heaven. I grant that proposition also, but when your child does wrong do you correct it in order to drive it into Heaven? No; you do it to restrain it—tone up its morals and make it more susceptible to the power of the Holy Spirit—and it is for the same purpose that whisky needs to be taken away from those who love it. This can be done only by electing men who will enact and enforce righteous laws against the manufacture, sale, exportation and importation of alcoholic liquor for beverage purposes. With Christians, principle should be paramount to party, and we should concentrate our forces upon the best man available for every office in the gift of the people.

I contend that no church should retain in her membership one who habitually drinks intoxicating drinks. Nothing but the grace of God in the hearts of his people and consecration to the cause of Christ will enable us to accomplish what is outlined in this report, and to this end let us work and pray.

Respectfully submitted,

L. D. Posey, Committee.

REPORT ON CHURCH DISCIPLINE.

Your committee on Church Discipline would submit the following:

First, That discipline is essentially necessary in all families, organizations and institutions of any nature, and more so should it be enforced in our churches, always taking the Bible for a guide by which to enforce it. Show me a church where rigid discipline is enforced and I will show one that has an active and a live working membership, and would recommend that each and every church within the bounds of this Association have a standing committee on complaints and offences, whose duty it shall be to look after the violaters of the rules of the church and see that they are reported to the church, after taking the Gospel steps. By so doing, we will have a membership that will be more free from censure, the cause of Christ will be honored and those of the world will have less criticism to make of the church membership. Brethren, let us be true in enforcing discipline, that we may have a membership that is above reproach, and then our churches will yield a better Christian influence. They will be as a city set upon a hill and their light and influence go out to the world for good.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. ARMSTRONG, Committee.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

The Mission work is ours. It began with the dawn of Christianity at Jerusalem and is to extend to the end of earth and time. The New Testament idea of the subject is this: There is one true and holy God. The whole world is out of harmony with Him because all are sinful. Christ came into the world and made atonement for sin, that all the world through Him might be reconciled to God. He is the way, the truth and the light. Christianity is not *a* religion, but the religion—it is for the whole world—but for convenience it is divided with us into State, Home, and Foreign fields.

State Mission work is that done within our own State, chiefly in the Delta, on the Coast, and along the new lines of railroad. The importance of this work can hardly be appreciated. It is

our temporal safety and our base of supplies and the people thus reached are our own by social and blood relations. Our Board has had in its employ about 90 missionaries this year. They have baptized 359, received by letter 768, organized 7 churches and 23 Sunday schools. Amount of money given to State Missions the last year, $11,766.49; for every $14.44 a member has been added. When we look at results we can hardly think the work is too expensive.

The Home Mission work, F. C. McCanel, Atlanta, Georgia, Secretary, embraces the whole territory of the Southern Baptist Convention. Its aims are to supplement the State Board where it is necessary, to look after large cities, the frontiers, the mountain regions and Cuba. $100,450 were given to this work last year. The report shows 674 missionaries, 8,150 baptisms, 9,051 received by letter, 231 churches constituted. Mississippi Baptists gave $4,465.39. This Board is not receiving the support that its great interest demands.

The Foreign Mission Board, R. J. Willingham, Richmond, Secretary, aims to give the Gospel to the heathen, even to the ends of the earth. We have missions in six foreign countries—Africa, China, Japan, Italy, Brazil and Mexico. In this sublime effort to give a knowledge of Christ to all races and classes of mankind God's people become most Christ-like in their self-forgetting devotion. This Board received last year $173,439, $9,032.27 of which came from Mississippi. There were 1,439 baptisms. We now have 115 missionaries and 171 native assistants. We have two publication societies—one in China and one in Brazil. There are also theological training schools in connection with most of our mission stations and about fifty native preachers are receiving instruction there. From these agencies we expect to hear increasingly great results. The missionary effort has God's authority, the very genius of the Bible is missionary, the blessings of God have been on the missionaries, giving them marvelous prosperity amid great difficulties. Let us take courage and press forward. Let our battle cry be a contribution from every member according to ability.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. WILLIAMS.

On motion, adjourned for one hour.

Benediction by Rev. L. D. Posey.

Met pursuant to adjournment, and after singing prayer was offered by Bro. Z. T. Daughdrill.

A collection was taken up for Bro. Neal, a poor afflicted person, amounting to $9.35.

Leave of absence was granted to Brethren G. M. Buckley, M. Stringer and J. B. Dale.

Pledges were taken as follows for Ministerial Education:

Calvary,	$20.00;	New Zion,	$ 5.00;
Crooked Creek,	10.00;	New Hope,	2.50;
Bethany,	15.00;	Shiloh,	10.00;
Society Hill,	10.00;	Silver Creek,	10.00;
Antioch,	5.00;	Clear Springs,	1.00;
Monticello,	15.00.		

REPORT ON ORPHANS' HOME.

We, your committee, beg leave to report:

That the Orphans' Home at Jackson, Miss., under management of Rev. L. S. Foster and wife, is designed to give a home to homeless orphan children, whether they are of Baptist parentage or not. It is under the fostering care of the Baptist State Convention and looks especially to Baptists for its support. When all the rooms of the new building are finished more than one hundred children can be cared for. There are now more than seventy children in the Home, and the running expenses for the summer were greater than the income, which is altogether by voluntary gifts. We recommend this object to the churches as being worthy of their generous support, and suggest that each church in this Association take a thanksgiving offering for it on Thanksgiving Day, or at some service in November, 1902.

Respectfully submitted,

(COMMITTEE).

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT.

Your committee is at a loss to know just what to say on this important subject, as there has been so much said. Liberal pastoral support is at this time directed by all of our active members. We would present for your consideration as a means

successfully reaching the desired end, that our pastors in this Association instruct their churches on this subject as another Christian duty. The Lord said they that preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel. Respectfully submitted,

J D. BURKETT, Committee.

REPORT ON DENOMINATIONAL SCHOOLS.

Your committee appointed at the last meeting of this Association to report on Denominational Schools, begs leave to submit the following:

Mississippi College has now a brighter future than she has ever had before. The long wished for endowment fund has been raised, $14,550 being given by the American Baptist Educational Society on condition that we raise $45,450 by July 2, 1902, making in all $60,000 as an endowment fund for our college. Your committee wishes to say just here that this is largely due to the splendid efforts of Dr. W. T. Lowrey, the President of Mississippi College. The Baptists of Mississippi owe Dr. Lowrey a debt of gratitude which can be paid only by joining with him in his efforts to promote the welfare and increase the influence of this noble old institution.

Mississippi College is our school, and every Baptist in the State ought to feel an interest in her welfare, because every year this college does more and more for the Baptists of the State. We should not only send our preacher boys to this school, but we should send the others there also, it matters not what profession they desire to enter. This is the best school for Baptists, and we are ready to guaranty that a session or two at this college will not do boys of other denominations any harm. You cannot better your boy's condition any more than by sending him to Mississippi College. A young man or boy away from home at school should be surrounded by Christian influences, he should be made to feel that his instructors—his professors—are Christians, and that they feel an interest not only in the development of his mind in the way of book-lore, but that they are interested also in his spiritual development.

We ought to feel proud of Mississippi College. We ought to exert our influence in the way of sending or inducing boys to attend this college. Some think that this is a school for preach-

ers only. This is not true. It is true our pulpits are supplied in a large measure by the noble boys that came out from this college, but it is a college where one can go and prepare for any profession. We cannot get along without an educated ministry, and we are not likely to have an educated ministry if we do not have a college where we can send them to acquire an education.

It is no use to go into a lengthy and detailed discussion of the history of Mississippi College. We are all familiar with this, but rather your committee desires to urge upon every Baptist the importance of feeling a personal interest in this college because it is his college—it is our college—and the welfare of our churches in Mississippi depend in a large measure upon the welfare of our college. Let us then help the college in every way possible. Our preachers are educated there, and we must help them by supporting them while in school. No country will be or can be happy and prosperous without churches, and we cannot have happy, prosperous churches without an educated ministry. Mississippi College has been, and is now, a great blessing, not only to the Baptists of the State, but to the people of the State at large, in that she has sent out into every walk of life men whose lives are modeled after the Saviour's, and who have done and are now doing every thing they can to lead sinful men to accept Christ as their personal Saviour and who are spending their lives for the betterment of mankind.

Let us, therefore, feel a personal interest in this college and thank God for what the college has done in the past and what she is doing now.

Respectfully submitted,

G. WOOD MAGEE, Committee.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your committee on Nominations, would beg leave to submit the following report:

That our next annual session be held with Whitesand church, commencing Saturday before the first Sunday in October, 1903, at ten o'clock A. M.; that Bro. L. D. Posey preach the Associational sermon, and Rev. J. P. Williams alternate. We would further recommend that our Associational sermon be preached on Sunday at eleven o'clock instead of Saturday, and that the following-named brethren are hereby appointed to write on the

following subjects and present their reports at our next meeting for consideration:

Missions—T. J. Batton.
Denominational Schools—T. H. Butler.
Pastoral Relations—Z. T. Daughdrill.
Temperance—V. L. Moore.
Church Discipline—W. M. Waller.
Sunday Schools—Leon Tyrone.
Orphans' Home—W. R. Gibson.
Publications—J. P. Williams.
Ministerial Education—L. D. Posey.

Respectfully submitted,
W. B. YATES, Chairman.

DELEGATE TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

We, your committee, would recommend that each church contribute as follows for the expense of delegate to Southern Baptist Convention, to be paid by May 1, 1903:

Antioch,	$3.00	Hepsibah,	$2.00
Bethel,	2.00	Society Hill,	4.00
Silver Creek,	3.00	New Zion,	2.00
Calvary,	5.00	New Hope,	2.00
Crooked Creek,	3.00	Bethany,	5.00
Monticello,	3.00	Clear Springs,	2.00
Whitesand,	2.00	Shiloh,	3.00
		Rehoboth,	2.00
Total			$43.00

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. MAXWELL, Chairman.

REPORT ON HOME EVANGELISM.

Your committee on Home Evangelism begs leave to submit the following report:

We have fifteen churches in our Association, with a membership amounting to over 2000. These churches are located from three to five miles apart, and most, or all, of them have monthly meetings, so there are neighborhoods that have no preaching. In addition to this, adjoining this county, there are public works, and the people who are engaged in these works have no preaching. Therefore, I would recommend that the State Board look after the destitution in the bounds of this Asso-

ciation, and further recommend that the Sunday school work be revived and that Sunday schools be organized where they are needed.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. RITCHIE, Committee.

REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS.

Your committee begs leave to submit the following:

The Press is a powerful agent for the promotion of good or evil. It is doubtful if any other agency is as potent a factor in human affairs; hence, it behooves us as Christians to see to it that the reading matter that is brought into our homes be of such a character that the use thereof will tend to elevate and build up the morals of our people. As Baptists we need to make a more careful and prayerful study of the Bible. The command is, "Search the Scriptures, for in them ye have eternal life, and they are they that testify of me." Aside from the study of the Bible, we would recommend the reading of the Foreign Mission Journal, which costs 25 cents a year; also the Home Field at a cost of 10 cents a year, published by the Southern Baptist Convention Board; also Kind Words literature, published by the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn., and recommend that the Baptists of our State take and read The Baptist and the Orphanage Gem, as they are our home papers, which go far to give us an understanding of the workings of the Baptist denomination of the State and also to enlist us in the work.

Respectfully submitted,

B. S. WATTS, Committee.

REPORT ON APPORTIONMENT.

Your committee would submit the following, and recommend that the churches endeavor to raise the amounts:

Antioch	$ 25 00	Society Hill	$100 00
Bethany	150 00	Monticello	150 00
Crooked Creek	100 00	Hepsibah	25 00
Calvary	150 00	Clear Springs	12 00
New Zion	15 00	Bethel	30 00
New Hope	15 00	Whitesand	50 00
Silver Creek	60 00	Rehoboth	10 00
		Shiloh	60 00
Total			$ 952 00

W. M. LAMBERT, Chairman.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

We, your committee on Finance, would submit the following report:

There has been sent in to the Association by the churches the following amounts:

Foreign Missions	$ 92 70
Home Missions	60 25
State Missions	99 85
General Missions	353 17
Orphanage	27 17
Associational purposes	47 45

Respectfully submitted,

Z. T. DAUGHDRILL, Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

A. T. LONGINO,

In account with the Lawrence County Association:

1902	Received for Foreign Missions		$ 92 70
Oct. 6.	" " Home "		60 25
	" " State "		99 85
	" " General "		353 17
	" " Associational purposes		47 05
	" " Orphans' Home		25 17
Total			$678 19

Respectfully submitted,

A. T. LONGINO, Treasurer.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that each church in this Association should have a committee on Missions, whose duty it shall be to see that every member of their respective churches have the privilege of making a contribution to Missions during the next Associational year.

Resolved, That Article 1 on Gospel Order be amended so as to read as follows: "That we believe that a church of Jesus Christ is a congregation of baptized believers, convened together in the belief of what Christ has taught, and to do what He has commanded."

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this Association is hereby authorized to collect and raise funds for Ministerial Education

to be forwarded to Brethren J. O. Buckley and Rowan Stringer at Mississippi College.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this Association is hereby authorized to turn over all moneys now in his hands for Missions to Bro. A. V. Rowe, Corresponding Secretary State Mission Board, and amount for Orphanage to Bro. L. S. Foster at Jackson, Miss., and to all other objects for which it was given to their respective Boards or Secretaries.

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Association is hereby authorized to superintend the printing and distribution of these minutes and that he be allowed $20.00 for his services.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are hereby extended to the members of Bethel church, and to the friends and community at large, for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained them during this session.

On motion, adjourned to meet with the Whitesand church on Saturday before the first Sunday in October, 1903, at ten o'clock A. M., five miles east of Mt. Carmel, Miss.

D. M. LEE, Moderator,

W. J. ARMSTRONG, Clerk.

NOTE.—In the table of pledges for Ministerial Education, contained on page 11, Crooked Creek church is represented as pledging "$10.00." It should read "$20.00."

NAMES OF DELEGATES AND CHURCH DIRECTORY.

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.
Antioch	W. P. Boutwell, W. M. Lambert, Benson Lambert, J. D. Holmes, Austin Wilson..	J. R. G. Reeves, Perch..	W. L McGuffee, Perch..
Bethel	J. Z. Walker, J. M. Ritchie, B. F. Polk....	R. Drummond, Hebron	Luke Polk, Monticello
Bethany	T. J. Newsom, J. M. Polk, J. C. Burkett, W. M. Waller, T. J. Harvey, S. C. Stamps	J. P. Williams, Silver Creek..	S. C. Stamps, Lee.....
Clear Springs..	A. S. Loftin, J. T. Polk.....	J. W. Steen, Dale....	N.S. Buckley, Oakvale
Crooked Creek.	T. J. Batton, W. L. Dampeer, E. Scarborborough, C. V. Sutton.....	J. P. Williams, Silver Creek..	W. C. Dale, Hooker..
Calvary	J. P. Williams, A. T. Longino, J. M. Armstrong, M. Stringer.....	J. P. Williams, Silver Creek..	J. M. Armstrong, Silver Creek
Hepsibah	J. A. Daniel, L. T. Ward.....	J. W. Steen, Dale....	J.A.Daniel, Bournham
Monticello	D M. Lee, J. D. Burkett, W. C. Maxwell, I. N. Bass.....	J. P. Williams, Silver Creek..	W. H. Speights, Monticello
New Zion.....	Kirk Maxwell, H. O. Whitaker, John Allen, A. A. Russell.....	W. B. Weber, Wesson..	W. T. Foster, Monticello
New Hope.....	J. J. Catt, D. Glover, I. E. Nelson.....	W.B.Yates, Silver Cr'k	I. Nelson, Macksmith
Rehoboth	C. P. Smith, W. E. Moore.....	J. C. Farrar, Ashley..	W. E. Moore, Tryus
Shiloh.....	Andrew White, A. Furr, W. R. Gibson, S. M. Douglas, J. Douglas.....	J. P. Hemby, Hazlehurst..	A. H. White, Nola.....
Silver Creek....	S. T. Price, I. E. Fortenberry, E. A. Hanlan, W. J. Armstrong, F. M. Garrett....	J. P. Williams, Silver Creek..	W. J. Armstrong, Arm..
Society Hill....	L. D. Posey, Z. T. Daughdrill, J. B. Dale, G. M. Buckley.....	L. D. Posey, Mt. Carmel..	G. M. Buckley, Dale..
Whitesand	S. S. Dale, W. S. Boyanton, H. M. Coulter, J. M. Bridges.....	J. P. Hemby, Hazlehurst..	R. B. Dale, Vixen.....

J. M. Bridges..... | J. P. Hemby, Hazlehurst.. | R. B. Dale, Vixen.....

CHURCH STATISTICS.

Churches	Church meeting	Ord'd ministers.	Licentiates	Baptized	Rec'v'd by letter	Restored	Died	Dismsd. by letter	Excluded.....	Total increase..	Total decrease	Total membership last year.	Total membership this year.	Sunday schools.	Officers & tchrs.	No. of pupils ..	Sunday school expenses.	Superintendents.	Secretaries
Antioch	3			29	4	11	1	11	9	4	21	160	196	1	5	65	$2 25	W. P. Boutwell	H. T. Shivers.
Bethel	2	1			1			5	1	1	6	99	93						
Bethany.....	3			13	9		4	8		10	12	220	210	1	7	40	3 50	J. M. Polk...	
Clear Springs.	3	1		6	1			7	1	7	8	36	37						
Crooked Creek	1		2	21	1	6	4	11	1	28	16	208	197		7	25	2 55	C.C.Culpepper	T. J. Batton..
Calvary	2	2	1	13	4		1	1		17	2	135	120	1	7	73	10 05	D. C. Griffith.	Dale Griffith..
Hepsibah	1			3	5	1	1	1	5	9	7	112	114						
Monticello ...	4			7				2		7	2	118	113	1	7	74	10 17	D. M. Lee....	I. N. Bass....
New Zion....	3			28	14	7				49		55	97	1	7	30		R H Townsend	Ril'y Towns'nd
New Hope....	1			27	3	8	1	3		38	4	32	66	1	5	28		I. E. Nelson..	S. P. Catt....
Rehoboth	1			2	1	2		1		5	1	60	64						
Shiloh	3						2							3	15	89		W R Gibson, J C Gray, JW White	J. M. Douglas.
Silver Creek..	2	1		5	2			8		7	8	154	153	1	6	33		A. C. Buckley.	T E Fortenb'ry
Society Hill..	2	1		7	2		5	3	1	9	9	274	274						
Whitesand ...	2						1	6	1		8	121	129						
		6	3	161	47	35	20	67	19	191	104	1784	1863	10	66	457	28 52		

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Churches	No. of minutes.	Paid for minutes	Pastor's salary.	Foreign Miss'ns	Home Missions.	State Missions.	Gen'l Missions.	Miss. College..	Paid visiting ministers	Other objects..	Value house of worship..	Expended on building..	The poor.....	Asso'l purposes.	Orphanage ....
Antioch	30	$3 00	$100 00	$ 4 00	$3 56	.....	.....	.....	$17 60	$2 20	....	.....	$15 09	$3	$6 45
Bethel	20	2 00	100 00	6 95	7 00	$11 82	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	..	3 00
Bethany.....	40	5 00	250 00	75 00	50 00	55 90	.....	.....	30 00	.....	....	.....	.....	..	.....
Clear Springs.	15	1 50	75 00	5 75	5 75	12 00	.....	.....	8 80	.....	$200	.....	.....	..	.....
Crooked Creek	20	1 75	.....	90 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	14 95	500	.....	.....	..	.....
Calvary	25	2 50	150 00	.....	.....	.....	160 00	$59 25	10 00	.....	750	.....	.....	..	.....
Hepsibah	20	3 00	100 00	14 55	8 00	9 50	.....	.....	13 10	.....	600	.....	.....	..	5 00
Monticello ...	25	3 75	200 00	.....	.....	.....	101 00	.....	52 00	.....	1500	.....	.....	..	.....
New Zion....	20	3 00	75 00	2 50	2 50	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	..	.....
New Hope....	20	2 00	50 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 00	.....	350	.....	.....	2	.....
Rehoboth	10	1 05	76 50	3 70	3 00	2 26	.....	.....	7 50	.....	300	.....	.....	..	.....
Shiloh	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	..	.....
Silver Creek..	30	3 00	150 00	.....	.....	.....	45 05	.....	20 00	.....	1000	....	5 00	..	.....
Society Hill..	50	7 50	200 00	.....	.....	.....	77 15	.....	40 00	12 50	1200	....	.....	..	5 00
Whitesand ...	25	2 50	200 00	15 50	.....	19 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	$15	.....	..	.....
	350	41 55	1726 50	137 95	79 81	115 98	383 00	$59 25	235 00	29 65	6440	15 00	20 09	$5	19 45